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# Plantation Gardens

Herb Growers

Lynchburg, Virginia

1954-1955



## *Our New Catalog Makes Its Debut*

The PLANTATION GARDEN'S "Silent Salesman" of previous years did a pretty good job of persuasion considering its limited size and condensed contents. We Chalfins feel that it is now time for a change and offer this more complete descriptive herb catalog with the hope that it will considerably help the customer and this grower. Our present plan is to issue a major list of herb seed and plant stock only every two years. Supplementary offerings, on a separate sheet, shall be sent customers alternate years. These will be mailed January 1955, etc.; so clip it to this catalog for ready reference. Meanwhile please notify us if your address has changed. When requesting a catalog from a summer home, also give your winter address. We are constantly attempting to add exciting new varieties and enjoy passing these thrilling additions on to you so don't miss our announcements. The colored cover of tansy-yellow will aid you to keep track of your copy so try not to mislay it. Any replacements are made on the receipt of 25c to help cover costs.

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### *An Invitation*

We welcome garden visitors. It has been very pleasant to meet and talk herbs to many of our customers from near and far. If in our vicinity, do try to stop in to see our gardens. We are located ten miles south of Lynchburg, just off of Highway 29. From the north: take 29 south until you see on left-hand side of road a sign marked "Bonnie's Marble Lake" and then watch for the NEXT side road on your RIGHT which is a Stop sign marked 622 and turn there. (We have a road sign at this point). Proceed down 622 for 1½ miles until you see our entrance sign on the LEFT. From the south: take first left turn from 29 after you pass the Knickerbocker Restaurant and Gas Station which is on left side of road approaching Lynchburg. We are near the hamlet of Lawyers.

Phone: Lynchburg 2-2969



## INTRODUCTION TO HERBS

The useful and delightful herbs are not only desirable plants for the herb garden but most of the varieties are equally effective in other types of gardens. Herbs provide unusual colors in both flowers and foliage. The textures and tones are exquisite. The wealth of scents and aromas are fascinating. Seeds for sowing, even when enclosed in packets, waft forth a spicy, fragrant essence.

We are herb seed specialists and because the climate of southern Virginia is favorable, our list of offerings is more complete than that from any other grower. Our seeds are gathered at the apex of ripeness thus assuring customers of excellent germination.

The herb plants we supply are fieldgrown roots except in a very few varieties which are safer wintered in coldframe. These are not frail pot-plants which must be pampered for months. Given reasonable care, our robust herbs will give immediate performance in the garden. They are a good investment. We dig all plants in the cool of the morning and ship the same noon; within a few hours the package is on its way to the customer. Our nursery is small and so each order is given personal attention.

All our plant material is quite hardy north of the Mason and Dixon line except Lemon Verbena, Pineapple Sage and sometimes, Rosemary; also the following which are tender in any but the mildest climate: Sweet Marjoram, Fringed Lavender, Peruvian Heliotrope and Scented Geraniums. All of these mentioned pot well for winter carryover or may be stored before frost in coldframes.

We are now standardizing our prices and grouping herbs in order to aid customers. We hope this simplified method will make mail-ordering easier. The heights given in descriptions are at mature growth in our locality; they will be more or will be less vigorous in other areas which do not coincide with our seasons. Likewise, the time of bloom is for similar sections but common sense addition or subtraction is not difficult. These notations will help customers in planning the placing of herbs in their gardens.

If any customer needs help in designing an herb garden we are able to render this service. Fees vary according to size and type of garden desired. Write us for an estimate, giving exposure, measurements and whether it is to be for pleasure or for use or a combination of both. Our prices are reasonable and when all material, both seeds and plants, are ordered from us you have the advantage of still lower rates. Cultural advice is supplied at very small additional cost.

Yours for pleasant hours with herbs,

Bruce and Eleanor Chalfin (Mr. and Mrs.)

PLANTATION GARDENS



## TERMS OF SALE

### *Read Carefully Before Ordering*

**SEEDS ARE POSTPAID** on SEED ORDERS of 50c or over. Smaller orders: enclose stamped addressed envelope. Shipped throughout the year with fresh seed supplied as current crop becomes ripe.

**PLANTS NOT POSTPAID:** See rates below:

Shipping dates: Spring, February 15th until June 1st.  
Fall, September 10th until December 1st.

Expenses involved in plant shipment have increased and we can not assume transportation charges. We are not responsible for shipment losses beyond our control. All material is carefully packed, each variety marked with wooden garden label, correctly named within reasonable tolerances. We reserve the right to limit quantity of any variety of stock to one customer. Order early because plant and seed stock is often in limited supply for spring sales after April 1st, otherwise, kindly suggest an alternate choice. We will not substitute without your authority.

### **RATES FOR POSTING OF ALL PLANTS:**

Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina (8 plants or less) 40c, extra plants, over 8, add 3c for each plant to above amount.

All other states East of the Miss. (8 plants or less) 60c, extra plants, over 8, add 4c for each plant to above amount.

West of the Miss. to Rockies (8 plants or less) 80c, extra plants, over 8, add 5c for each plant to above amount.

Beyond Rockies by special arrangement only (Nov.-Mar.)

For example: Order of 11 plants to N. C. is 40c plus 9c; total 49c  
or order of 14 plants to Ohio is 60c plus 24c; total 84c.

"Special Handling" recommended for distances over 200 miles; fee 25c.

**MAIL ORDERS:** List seeds and plants separately; add correct postage for plant transportation; enclose check, money-order, cash or stamps with all retail orders. (No checks under \$1.00). Please include return postage if requesting information.

PLANTATION GARDENS, Herb Growers,  
R. F. D. 2, Lynchburg, Virginia.

## ANNUAL AND BIENNIAL HERB SEED

### 15c A Packet

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**AMBROSIA:** *Chenopodium Botrys*—18". Producing scented feathery plumes to use in potpourri and dried arrangements.

**ANISE:** *Pimpinella Anisum*—18". White umbels, lace-like leaf.

**BASIL:** Green and Purple leaf varieties:

**Sweet:** *Ocimum basilicum*—3'. Has many culinary uses, white flower.

**Curly-leaf:** *crispum*—3'. Improved type, bigger yields.

**Lemon:** var.—2'. Lemony scent and flavor.

**Bush:** *minimum*—1'. The small-leaf Sweet Basil.

**Clove or Holy Basil.** *Sanctum*—2'. Lilac flower, pungent odor.

**Purple Sweet:** *purpureum*—30". Showy foliage, pink flower.

**Purple Curly-leaf**—30". Large crinkled leaf, darker than above.

**BORAGE:** *Borago officinalis*—3'. Leaf for salad; deep blue floret.

**CAMOMILE, Sweet:** *Matricaria chamomilla*—4'. Sow spring or fall.

**CARAWAY:** *Carum carvi*—2'. Produces edible seed in second year.

**CHERVIL:** *Anthriscus Cerefolium*—1'. Requires rich soil. Sow in early spring, late summer or late fall. Quick crop.

**CORIANDER:** *Coriandrum sativum*—3'. Airy foliage, mauvette flower, ripe seed is lemon flavored, sow spring or fall.

**CRESS, Garden:** *Lepidium sativum*—3'. Peppery leaf has flavor of Watercress. Sow in rich soil, partial shade.

**Winter:** *Barbarea verna*—4'. Tangy salad and spinach greens.

**CUMIN:** *Cuminum*—8". Requires warm soil, protected spot.

**DILL:** *Anethum graveolens*—5'. Thread-like leaf, chrome-yellow umbel.



**FENNEL, Italian:** *Foeniculum vulgare dulce*—3'. "Finocchio,"  
Bulbous leaf-bases are blanched, eat like celery, raw or cooked.

**HOLLYHOCK:** *Althea rosea*—8'. Strong stalks of rich rosey flowers.

**LEEK:** *Allium porrum*—5'. May be grown as annual providing fall  
and winter scallions; big bulbs often perennial.

**MARJORAM, Sweet:** *Majorana hortensis*—1'. Sweetly scented, very  
useful.

**PARSLEY, Curly-leaf:** *Petroselinum crispum*. Sow fall, early spring.  
**Italian:** *P. latifolium*. Finer flavor, green or dried.

**PENNYROYAL, American:** *Hedeoma pulegioides*—1'. Dainty lilac  
flower, pungent leaf, sow in clumps for best effect.

**PERILLA:** *Frutescens crispa*—3'. Reddish-purple ruffled leaf, pink  
flower, aromatic, useful with gray herbs in garden and vase.

**ROQUETTE:** *Eruca sativa*—3'. Tangy salad green, easily grown.

**SAFFRON, American:** *Carthamus tinctorius*—3'. "Safflower" has  
shaggy orange flowers used for coloring foods.

**SAVORY, Summer:** *Satureja hortensis*—18". Mauvette flower, green  
leaf.

**SESAME, Bene:** *Sesamum orientale*—5'. Pink bell-flower, rough leaf.

**SMALLAGE:** *Apium graveolens dulce*—2'. Hardy biennial celery,  
resembles parsley, leaf and stalk edible, also the ripe seed.

**SWEET WILLIAM:** *Dianthus barbarus*—1'. Sometimes perennial,  
rich colors.

**VERBASCUM:** *pannosum*—8". Blooms the second year from seed.

**WOAD, Dyer's:** *Isatis tinctorius*—5'. Sow early spring, late fall.

**WORMWOOD, Summer:** *Artemisia annua*—5'. Ferny leaf, vivid  
green.

**Sweet:** *A. annua*—6'. Darker foliage, a handsome shrub.

## PERENNIAL HERB SEED

20c a packet

**ALLIUMS** (Bulb forming herbs):

**CHIVES:** *Schoenoprasum*—2'. Sow seed from August to April.

**DWARF GARLIC:** *Triteleia Hyacinthina*—18". "Garlic-chives."

**GIANT GARLIC:** or "Rocamboles"—3'. Plant bulbils from August to April, permanent clumps, fine mild flavor.

**FRENCH SHALLOT:** *Ascalonicum*—2'. Sow seed same as onion. Shallot Bulbs, 45c per dozen postpaid.

**ANISE-HYSSOP:** *Agastache anethiodora*—5'. Gentian-blue spires. *A. urticifolia*—4'. Violet flowered, aromatic.

**ANGELICA:** *Archangelica*—4'. Prefers rich moist soil, in shade.

**ARMERIA:** *Maritima*—1'. "Bee's Ruby" with bright pink globes.

**BALM, Lemon:** *Melissa officinalis*—3'. Sow spring or late fall.

**BETONY, Green:** *Stachys officinalis*—18". Fragrant, desirable.

**Gray Woolly:** *lanata*—1'. "Lamb's Ears" for arrangements.

**BLACKBERRY LILY:** *Belamcanda chinensis*—3'. Grow in sun or shade.

**BURNET, Salad:** *Sanquisorba minor*—2'. Easy to raise, self sows.

**CAMOMILE, English:** *Anthemis nobilis flore-pleno*—18". Double flowered.

**Golden:** *tinctoria*—3'. Wide yellow daisy, aromatic.

**Roman:** *nobilis*—8". Needs moisture, some shade for the green sods; sow fine seed carefully, spring or fall.

**CAMPION, Rose:** *Lychnis coronaria*—2'. Plum flower, gray felted leaf.

**CARNATION:** "King of the Blacks"—2'. Hardy, clove scented.



- CAMPHOR-BALSAM:** *Chrysanthemum majus*—3'. Smaller than Costmary, scented.
- CATNIP:** *Nepeta Catari*—4'. Sow in spring or late fall.
- CICELY, Sweet:** *Myrrhis odorata*—3'. Sow seed preferably fall or winter as must freeze; or try icecube method.
- COLUMBINE**—3'. Short-spurred in assorted showy colors.
- COSTMARY:** *C. majus tanacetoides*—5'. This is "Bibleleaf" or Mace.
- ELECAMPANE:** *Inula Helenium*—4'. Associated with Helen of Troy, a stately background herb.
- FENNEL, Bronze:** *F. vulgare* var.—5'. Stunning background plant; edible seed.
- Giant:** *F. piperitum*—7'. "Sicilian," edible young stalks.
- Sweet:** *Foeniculum vulgare*—6'. Common type, very easily grown.
- FEVER FEW:** *C. parthenium*—3'. White double flowers, fine for cutting.
- FLAX, Blue:** *Linum perenne*—2'. Evergreen clusters, blue flower.
- FLEUR DE LIS:** *Iris pseudacorus*—2'. Golden-yellow flags.
- FOXGLOVE:** *D. purpurea*—5'. Rich colors, large flowered variety.
- HELIOTROPE, Pink Garden:** *Centranthus roseus*—3'. Coral-pink.
- White Garden:** *C. albus*. Everblooming varieties.
- HOREHOUND:** *Marrubium vulgare*—3'. Sow spring or fall.
- HYSSOP:** *H. officinalis*—2'. Pink, blue and white flower, mixed seed.
- INDIGO:** *Baptisia australis*—4'. See plants for description.
- LOVAGE:** *Levisticum officinale*—5'. Likes rich moist soil.
- MARJORAM, French:** *Origanum vulgare* var.—2'. Pink flowered.
- Wild:** *O. vulgare*—3'. Lavender flower, darker leaf than French.
- MINT:** *Mentha*. Small seed, mix with sand for sowing. Applemint, Pineapplemint, Australian mint, Gray Curlymint, Egyptian mint or Peppermint; your choice of variety.
- MONARDA, Wild:** *Fistulosa*—5'. See Special List for others.



- NEPT:** *Nepeta Mussinii*—1'. Prefers unlimed soil.
- PENNYROYAL, English:** *Mentha pulegium*—creeping to 8".
- PINKS, Clove:** *Dianthus plumarius*—1'. Fringed, pink and white.  
**Spice:** *D. Allwoodii*—1'. Mixed colors, some double.
- PYRETHRUM:** *Roseum*—2'. Easy germination, good cut-flower.
- ROSEMARY:** *Rosmarinus officinalis*—4'. Sow warm soil.
- RUE:** *Ruta graveolens*—4'. Sow spring or late fall.
- SAGE, Blue:** *Salvia azurea*—3'. Almost everblooming.  
**Blue Giant:** *S. Patens*—5'. Sky-blue flower.  
**Garden:** *S. officinalis*—3'. Sow spring or fall.
- SAVORY, Winter:** *Satureja montana*—1'. Lavender flower.
- SKIRRET:** *Sium Sisarum*—3'. Edible roots, serve cooked.
- SORREL, French:** *Rumex scutatus*—5'. Sow spring or fall.
- SOUTHERNWOOD:** *Artemisia camphorata*—2'. "Lady's Maid."
- SWEET ROCKET:** *Hesperis matronalis*—4'. "Dame's Violet."
- TANSY:** *Tanacetum vulgare*—5'. Germinates easily.
- THYME, Basil:** *Satureja Nepeta*—2'. Easy germination.  
**English:** *Thymus vulgaris*—18". For seasoning.  
**French:** *T. fragrantissimus*—1'. Gray narrow leaf.  
**Wild:** *Serpyllum*—6'. Creeping, excellent flavor.
- WALLFLOWER:** *Cheiranthus Cheiri*—18". Hardy, everblooming.
- WOAD, Golden:** *Isatis glauca*—4'. See description in plants.
- WORMWOOD, Common:** *A. Absinthium*—4'. Sow seedbed, transplant
- YARROW:** *Millefolium rosea*—2'. Pink flower, sow seedbed.

## RARE HERB SEED

At Various Prices, as marked

- ALLIUM, Blue:** *Caeruleum*—2'. Intensely blue, showy. 25c.  
**Yellow:** *Moly*—6". "Lily Leek," sow early. 35c.



- BASIL, Green Dwarf:** minimum nana—1'. Very compact. 20c.  
**Italian:** var.—2'. "Sweet of Genova." 25c.  
**Purple Bush**—10". Companion for Green-dwarf. 25c.  
**Purple Dwarf**—6". Variegated leaf, unusual. 30c.
- BEDSTRAW:** *Galium verum*. Creeping to 18" in bloom. 40c.
- FLAG, Sweet:** *Acorus calamus*—2'. Sow moist seedbed. 50c.
- GERMANDER, Common:** *Teucrium Chamaedrys*—18". 25c.  
**Creeping:** *T. prostratum*—8". Very hardy. 30c.  
**Dwarf:** *Orientalis*—6". Delightful pygmy. 35c.  
**Yellow:** *Flavum*—1'. Grayish shrublet. 35c.
- LAVENDER, English:** *Lavandula officinalis*—2'. Hyacinth-Blue. 25c.  
**Pink English:** *Rosea*—18". Compact growth. 40c.  
**Spike:** *latifolia*—4' when in bloom, August. 25c.  
**Twinkle-purple**—18". Everblooming, hardy. 40c.  
**White:** *L. alba*—1'. Fragrant albino variety. 40c.  
**Fringed Green:** *Dentata*—2'. Quick from seed. 60c.
- LEMON VERBENA:** *Lippia citriodora*—5'. Soak in hot water. 30c.
- MARIGOLD, POT:** *Calendula officinalis*—1'. Compact, yellow flower, good for cutting, food coloring. 25c.
- MONARDA, Pink:** *M. didyma rosea*—4'. Very showy. 50c.  
**Rose:** var. deeper pink than above. 50c.  
**Spotted:** *M. punctata*—3'. Variegated bergamot. 25c.
- OREGANO:** *Majorana* var. *viridis*—3'. White Flower, July. 60c.
- SAGE, Clary:** *Salvia Sclarea*—4'. Sow spring or fall. 25c.  
**Dwarf Clary:** *S. Horminum*—10". Exquisite floral leaves of shaded purple and violet. Choice 35c.
- SANTOLINA, Green:** *S. viridis*—2'. Germinates slowly. 25c.  
**Gray:** *S. incana*—18". This is "Lavender Cotton." 35c.
- SAVORY, Dwarf Winter:** *Satureja pygmaea*. White flower. 30c.
- THYME.** Very small seed, mix with sand for sowing.  
**Crimson Thyme:** *T. coccineus*—2". Lavender flower. 60c.  
**Italian:** *Thymus nitidus*—8". Sicilian variety. 50c.  
**White-Moss:** *Serpyllum albus*—1". Very rare. 80c.



**VALERIAN:** *Valeriana officinalis*—3". Easy from seed. 60c.

**WORMWOOD, African:** *Artemisia Afra*—4'. Silvery gray, lace-like Balsam-scented foliage, yellow florets. 30c.

**Fringed:** *frigida*—1'. Silky foliage, desirable. 35c.

**Dwarf Fringed:** *Schmidtiana nana*—6". Choice 35c.

**Western:** *ludoviciana*—2'. Silvery-white, showy. 35c.

## HERB PLANTS

50c Each Plant or in Groups of 2, as Noted

(See seed for **botanical names**)

**ANISE-HYSSOP:** Rich lilac flowers, June until frost.

**BALM, Lemon:** Use in iced tea, yellow floret, July.

**BEDSTRAW :** Aromatic finely-cut green foliage, sprays of chrome-yellow from May till July and in fall.

**BUGLE:** *Ajuga reptans*—6". Groundcover, blue flower, May.

**BETONY, Green:** Aromatic foliage of good substance, pansy-violet flowers, fine for cutting, May-July.

**Gray Woolly:** Low downy clumps, gray and violet flowers, June.

**BURNET, Salad:** Evergreen picoted foliage, cucumber flavor, velvety henna flower, April-June. (2)

**CAMOMILE, Sweet:** Bold upright growth, April daisy. (2)

**Roman:** Ferny cushions form sods, dainty daisy flower, May.

**CAMPBOR-BALSAM:** Scented grayish leaf, yellow disks, May.

**CAMPION:** Soft gray leaf, reddish-gray flower, May.

**CARNATION:** Gray leaf, clove scented, red-black flower almost ever-blooming, for potpourri and cutting.

**CATNIP:** Pungent gray foliage, lilac flower, May-July.

**CHIVES:** Useful and showy, lilac globes, April. (2)

**COSTMARY:** Scented foliage, yellow disk flower, July.

**ELECAMPANE:** Scented root, big golden-yellow flower, June.

**FLAG, Sweet:** Fragrant root, small spadix, June.



- FENNEL, Bronze:** Unusual coppery foliage, showy. (2)
- FLAX:** Evergreen rosettes of fine texture, royal-blue flower almost constantly in bloom, May-November.
- FOXGLOVE:** Blooming-size plants, good colors, May-June.
- GARLIC, Dwarf:** Radiant white star-like flowers, August.  
**Giant:** Dormant late summer, green other seasons.
- GERANIUM, Rose:** *Pelargonium graveolens*—2'. Old-timey favorite used in apple-jelly, potpourri, pink flower.
- GERMANDER, Common:** Brightly polished shrublet, shear for edges or Knot Garden, orchid flower, May-August.  
**Creeping:** Evergreen like above, good traveler, pink flower in May, again usually in October.
- HELIOTROPE, Pink:** Grayish foliage, coral-pink flower.  
**White:** Faintly scented like above.
- HOREHOUND:** Gray felted leaf, white florets, June-July.
- HYSSOP:** Pungent leafage, trim for rich green hedges, attractive blue, pink or white flower, May-Fall.
- INDIGO:** Arching growth, Italian-blue, large sprays, May.
- LEEK:** Grayish leaf, huge lilac pompoms, June.
- LILY-LEEK:** Golden star-shaped flower, showy, May. (2)
- LILY-Blackberry:** Fan-shaped leaf, tile-red lily, Ebony berries, July.
- LOVAGE:** Celery flavored leaf, yellow umbels, July.
- MARJORAM, Sweet:** Gray-green scented leaf, curious knotted white blossoms during the summer.  
**French:** Medium green leaf, pink flowers, August.  
**Wild:** Dark green leaf, lavender clusters, July.
- MINT:** Clumps or runners supplied.  
**Applemint:** *M. gentilis*—6". Smooth mottled green leaf, delightful essence, lavender flower. Choice variety.  
**Australian:** *sylvestris*—3'. Woolly gray leaf, large flower.  
**Bergamot:** *citrata*—18". Orange flavored leaf of dark bronzy-green, deep lavender flower.



**Cornmint:** *arvensis*—8". Mild flavor, not invasive grower.  
**Curlymint:** *crispa*—2'. Bold flavor for julep, iced tea.  
**Gray Curlymint:** *tomentosa*—1'. Velvety leaf, fringed flower.  
**Egyptian:** *niliaca*—4'. Gray leaf, large flower (for sale 1955.)  
**Peppermint, rough-leaf:** *piperita*—4'. Small leaf and flower.  
**Peppermint, smooth-leaf**—2'. Darker foliage, larger flower.  
**Pineapple:** *rotundifolia variegata*—3'. Gray leaf, dappled with creamy splotches, lilac flower, attractive.  
**Spearmint:** *spicata*—4'. Lamb Mint, other savory uses.  
**Woolly Applemint:** *rotundifolia*—4'. Fuzzy gray leaf, Lilac flower.

**MONARDA:** The bergamots are traditional favorites:

**Cambridge—scarlet:** *M. didyma*—4'. Handsome red flower, June.  
**Plum:** var.—4'. Showy accent for pink varieties, July.  
**Pink**—4'. Pale green leaf, pale pink flower, July.  
**Rose**—4'. Darker leaf, deeper pink flower, July.  
**Spotted**—2'. Pink, tawny center, dotted sepia-brown, August.  
**White:** *alba*—4'. Felted leaf, white flower, June (for sale '55.)  
**Wild:** *fistulosa*—5'. Shaggy lavender flower, June.

**NEPT, Mussinii.** Procumbent gray leafage, Gentian-blue flower, April.  
**Superba**—18". Finer leaf, Hyacinth-blue flower all summer.

**ONION, Tree:** *Cepa viviparum*—3'. Growing plants supplied spring and fall, green plant sets in summer. (2)

**OREGANO:** Like a bigger Sweet Marjoram but with greener leaf and a very tangy delicious flavor, white knotted flower.

**ORRIS:** *I. Florentina*—2'. Fragrant roots to use as potpourri fixative, palest blue flower, May.

**PINKS, Clove:** Low gray tufts, effective in border and Knot Garden.  
**Spice:** Shapely green foliage, almost everblooming.

**PENNYROYAL, English.** Ground clinging mat of glossy runners, aromatic, quaint lavender sprays, July.

**PERIWINKLE:** Large polished leaf, purple flower, May and Sept.

**PYRETHRUM:** Lacy green leaf, wide dark-pink daisy, May-June.



- RUE:** Elegant blue-green shrubs, attractive tan seedpods for dried bouquets, chrome-yellow clusters, May-July.
- SAFFRON:** *Crocus sativus*—6". Summer dormant so plants supplied spring only; amethyst flower, orange stigmas, October. (2)
- SAGE, Clary:** Broad grayish leaf, orchid flowers, scented, May.  
**Garden:** Gray pebbled leaf, gentian-blue flower, April.  
**Garden Dwarf:** *S. lavandulaefolia*—8". Daintier, denser, more refined foliage, same flavor and flower, May.  
**Giant Blue:** Intense sky-blue flower, May-August. (For 1955)  
**Perennial Blue:** Smooth gray leaf, blue-violet flower.
- SANTOLINA, Gray:** Exquisite silvered leaf, beautiful evergreen shrub to shear for hedges or Knot Garden, pear scented.  
**Green:** Brilliant green shrubs, retaining year-round beauty, pleasing aroma, yellow flower, May.
- SAVORY, Winter:** Almost evergreen, good flavor, lilac flower, July.  
**Dwarf:** More compact, lighter green leaf, white flower.
- SHALLOT, French:** Mild delicious flavor, white flower, July. (2)  
**Italian Dwarf:** Needs rich moist soil, not hardy.
- SMALLAGE:** This celery will grow in any soil. (2)
- SORREL:** Edible leaf, henna plumes for dried bouquets, May.
- SOUTHERNWOOD, "Old Man":** *Artemisia Abrotanum*—5'. A spreading shrub which becomes knarled with age, grayish leaf.  
**"Old Lady":** *A. borealis*—3'. More finely-cut, greener and compact shrub, aromatic moth repellent.  
**"Lady's Maid":** Prostrate but large shrub of good form and substance, camphor scented, yellow panicles, August.
- THYME:** erect forms for general garden use:  
**English:** Broad, grayish leaf, lilac flower, May. (2)  
**French:** Narrow gray leaf, pale pink flower, May.  
**Lemon:** *vulgaris citriodorus*—10'. Glossy green leaf.  
**Italian:** Gray, compact, shrubby, pink flower, April.  
**Silver:** *T. argenteus*—6". Green margins on silvery leaf.  
**Variegated:** *T. aureus*—6". Showy foliage, lilac flower, June.



**THYME:** Creeping forms for crevice or pathside planting.

**Caraway:** Herba-barona—2". Deep green leaf, lilac flower.

**Crimson:** Forms close mats in suitable site, sheets of lavender flowers, July-August.

**Golden:** *Serpyllum aureus*—3". Forms golden-green carpet, fine contrast with other creepers, few flowers.

**Norwegian:** Woody gray prostrate shrub—8".

**Redstem:** *T. cimicinus*—4". Loose but dense growth, wiry red stem, lilac flower, August.

**Rose:** *roseus*—3". Shiny green leaf, deep pink flower, August.

**White-moss:** Diminutive cushions, brilliant green, galaxy of wee white flowers, May.

**Wild-creeping:** Ideal groundcover, sods travel far and wide, lilac flower, June, July. (2)

**TANSY:** Ferny leaf, dense umbels of chrome-yellow, July-Sept.

**Curly-leaf:** *T. crispum*—3". Finer, green leaf (Nursery only).

**VERBASCUM:** Gray felted wide leaf, branched spires of saucer-shaped golden-yellow flowers, May-July. (Fall of '54).

**VERVAIN:** *Verbena canadensis compacta*—8". Deep green finely cut foliage, many bright pink flowers, May-July.

**VETIVER:** *Vetiveria zizanoides*—6'. Grassy leaves forming thick clumps, sandalwood scented roots, dry for linen cupboard. (2)

**WALLFLOWER:** Grayish leaf, golden-yellow and ochre flower, fragrant; winter-blooming in south. (2)

**WOAD, Dyer's:** Gray leaf, loose growth, yellow umbels, April.

**Golden:** Heavier, compact growth, edible umbels, May. (2)

**WILLIAM, SWEET:** Blooming size clumps, good colors. (2)

**WORMWOOD, Common:** Pearly-gray leaf, yellow panicles, June.

**Roman:** *A. pontica*—1'. Spreading plant, gray finely-cut leaf, used for edging or in Knot Garden.

**Western Mugwort:** A good bedfellow for purple leaved herbs.

**White:** *A. albula*—3'. This and above for dried bouquets, frosted gray foliage, yellow florets, June-July.

**YARROW:** Ferny aromatic leaf, deep pink flower, May-August.

## NOVEL HERB PLANTS AND VERY CHOICE VARIETIES

### Priced According to Rarity and Size

**BASIL-THYME.** Mint scented, lilac flower, August. 2/60c.

**CICELY, Sweet.** Handsome leafage with anise scent and flavor, fluffy flowers, creamy-white, April. Likes shade. 75c.

**COBBLER'S BENCH:** *Lamium maculatum*—6". Olive green, silver markings, pebbled leaf, pink flower, July-August. 60c.

**COMFREY:** *Symphytum officinale*—2'. Leafage, resembling *Digitalis*, forms husky clumps, burgandy flower, June-July. 75c.

**GERMANDER, Dwarf:** Wee glossy shrublet, large violet flower with shaded pinkish tone, very floriferous, June and September. 60c.

**Yellow:** Grayish leaf, pale flower, May and September. 75c.

**HELIOTROPE, Peruvian:** *Heliotropium arborescens*—3'. Winter pot-plant, freely flowering, may be set out in garden after frost, intensely sweet purple flower is ingredient of finest potpourri for milady's sachets. 65c & \$1.00.

**LAVENDER:** For adding character and perfume to any garden, there is nothing so desirable as lavender.

**English:** Numerous hyacinth-blue flowers all season. 60c & \$1.00.

**Fringed Green:** Pinnately toothed ferny foliage, dense formation of large lilac flowers. 65c & \$1.00.

**Fringed Gray:** Velvety gray form known as *L. dentata candicans*, fat deep lilac flower. 75c & \$1.00.

**Pink:** Similar to English but pink blossom, June. 60c & 90c.

**Spike:** Low growing, with wide gray tufts, tall stems, one term florescence, antwerp-blue, August. 75c & \$1.00.

**Twickle-purple:** Well shaped dense shrubs, long spikes of sweet deep blue flowers all season. 60c & 95c.

**Carroll Variety:** Tall, loose growth, floriferous. \$1.00.

**Dutch:** Low, compact broad-leaf form, blue flower. \$1.00.

**Trailing:** *L. pedemontana*—18". Finest silvery leaf, unusual bracts resembling shuttlecocks. Choice. \$1.00.

**White, Dwarf:** Very fragrant shrub, frosted foliage, intermittent profuse flowers, desirable. 75c.



- PINK ROOT:** *Spigelia Marilandica*—8". Radiant golden stars surrounded by spectrum-red, May-July. Choice 75c.
- ROSEMARY:** Legendary favorite, sea-green leaf lined with gray, pale blue flower, March and October. 65c & \$1.50.
- Prostrate:** Lovable form with brighter green dense 6" trailing foliage, deeper blue flower. \$1.00.
- SAGE: Pineapple:** *S. rutilans*—6'. Odor of ripe pineapples, green leaf, spectacular cardinal-red sprays, August. 75c.
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- Adamovicii:** velvety gray foliage, rose flower.
- Comptus:** reddish stems, green foliage, lilac flower.
- Lanuginosus:** very low gray woolly foliage, lilac flower.
- Marschallianus:** green fine leaf, prostrate, lilac flower.
- Nummularius:** larger leaf, wiry growth, lilac flower.
- TREE PINEAPPLE SAGE:** Felted green, heart-shaped leaf, flowers on giant sprays are cherry-red. Very tender, rare. \$1.00.
- VALERIAN:** Much divided basal leafage, roots and entire plant fragrant, filmy pink crests, June. 65c.
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- WOODRUFF, Sweet:** *Asperula odorata*—4". Spreading groundcover for moist shade, elusively scented leafage, dainty white flower, April. 65c.
- WORMWOOD, Dwarf:** "Silver Mound," silky gray foliage, yellow disks, July. (In limited supply) 75c.
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